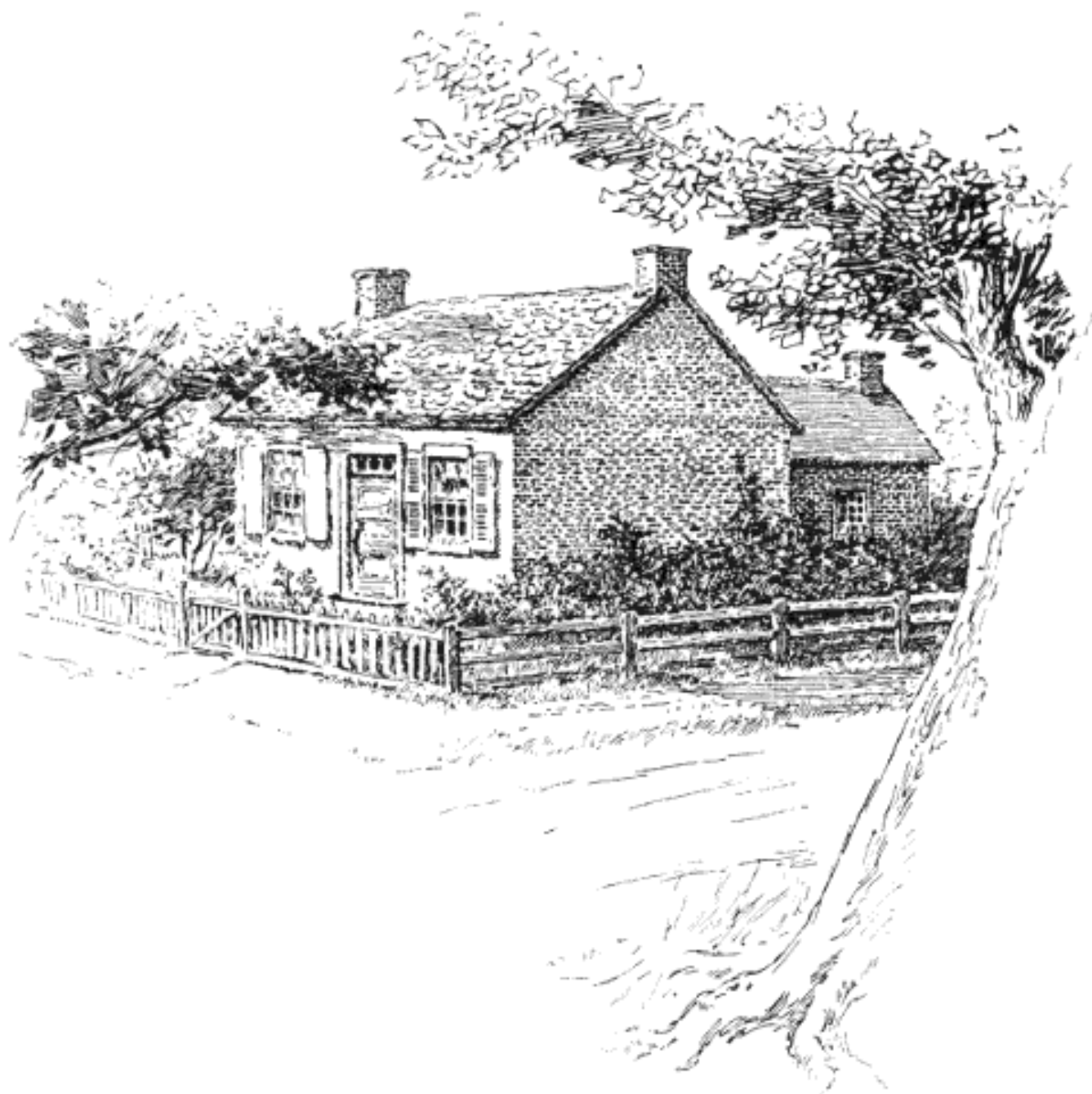


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HOWELLS ESSAY PRIZE WINNER 2017

The Howells Society Essay Prize is awarded each year to the writer of the best paper on Howells presented at the annual ALA conference. The winning essay may have been presented in any session on the program of the conference, including but not limited to panels sponsored by the Howells Society. Papers are judged by members of the WDHS Executive Committee. The author of the winning essay receives a cash award and the opportunity for publication in *The Howellsian*.

The winner of this year's competition for the best Howells essay is . . .

Lindsey Grubbs

(Emory University)

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ALA 2018

May 24-27
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The William Dean Howells Society will host two panels at the 29th Annual American Literature Association Conference to be held in San Francisco, May 24-27, 2018.

William Dean Howells and Democracy
Thursday, 9-10:20am

1. “Democracy and Trust in the Oeuvre of William Dean Howells,” Margit Peterfy, University of Heidelberg
2. “Utopian Visions, Realist Plans: William Dean Howells and the Birth of American Urban Planning,” Michael Gastiger, Brown University
3. “Will and Walt: Urbanism, Democracy, Aesthetics,” John Sampson, Johns Hopkins University

Howells and the Politics of Subjectivity: Gender, Class, and Race
Thursday, 1:30-2:50

1. “‘I tried to see her as you do’: Gendered Subjectivity and William Dean Howells’s *The Coast of Bohemia*,” Jennifer Leigh Moffitt, Florida Southern College
2. “Democracy and American Girls: Gender, Class, and ‘Race’ in William Dean Howells’ International Novels,” Naoko Sugiyama, Japan Women’s University
3. “‘The Instinct of Righteous Shame’: Liberal Guilt in *Annie Kilburn*,” Harry Wonham, University of Oregon

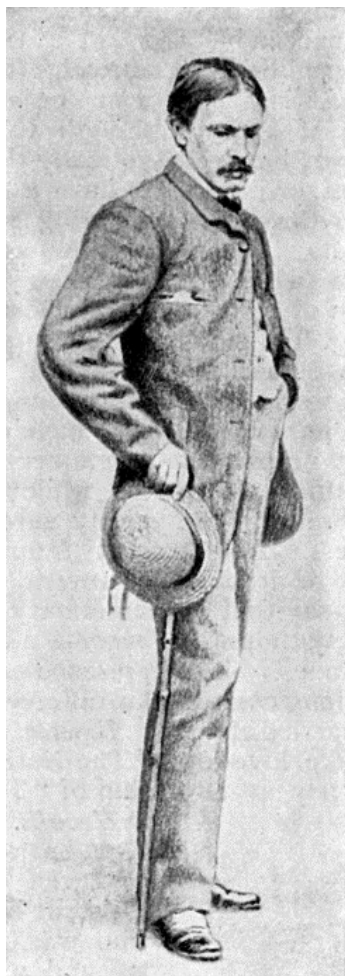
Howells Society Business & Planning Meeting
Thursday, 3-4:20

Everyone is welcome! Take part in planning upcoming Society events, including next year’s ALA panel topics and the centenary of Howells’ death in 1920.

We can't reach you!

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